GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4944
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WEIGHTS & MEASURES CERTIFICATE FOR OIL PSU (S)
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the oil Public Sector Undertaking's are the owner of all the dispensing units installed on their retail outlets;

(b) if so, whether all these dispensing units are required to be verified and stamped by the department of Weights and Measures;

(c) if so, in whose name a certificate of verification is issued;

(d) whether the above rules are being violated by the oil PSU's and the certificate of verification is not obtained by these companies in their own name; and

(e) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken against the officers found responsible for this said violation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) : Yes Sir.

(b) : All dispensing units of petrol and diesel fuel are required to be verified and stamped by the department of Weights and Measures.

(c) : The Standards of Weights and Measures (Enforcement) Act, 1985 requires that every person having any weight or measure in his possession, custody or control in circumstances indicating that such weight or measure is being, or is intended or likely to be, used by him in any transaction or for industrial production or for protection, shall, before putting such weight or measure into such use, have such weight or measure verified and after verification the Inspector shall grant a verification certificate to him. Hence the verification certificates are issued in the name of Petrol Pump dealer/outlets.

(d) & (e): Does not arise.